Motion No. 59.

Mr. George Parakkal *(Narakkal).*—"*To reduce the allotment of Rs. 2,06,514 for Village Panchayats by Re. 1. To open a road from Thiruvinkara at Vellarappilly to connect it with the Panchayat road that stops at Kannatkulam so as to give a connection to the main road to the people during times of flood*".

Sir, through this cut, I want to bring to the notice of Government the great hardship the people of Thiruvinkara, a small village surrounded on all sides by a river, is put to. During the monsoon time they have no possibility of getting out of the place. Unless there is a road for them which reaches the river it is impossible to take their cattle because it is surrounded on all sides by paddy fields and fortunately the Panchayat has constructed a panchayat road till Kannatkulam. It is only half-a-furlong to take it to that river. If that is done, it will be a help to the poor ryots to take care of themselves and their cattle.

Dr. E. S. R. Menon *(Director of Public Health and Panchayats).*—It is also an impossibility to the Government at present. The estimated cost is about Rs. 12,000. It will be considered if funds permit.

Mr. George Parakkal *(Narakkal).*—I withdraw the motion in the light of the assurance given by the Hon'ble Member for Panchayats.

Motion was by leave withdrawn.

The Demand under Village Panchayats less Re. 1 was put and carried.

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The demand was put and carried.

Deputy President.—I wish to say a word. So many hands were raised in favour of the withdrawal of the motion, (No. 57) it was clear that the Hon'ble Member had the leave of the House. I did not think it necessary to take a poll, because the only question was whether the Hon'ble Member had the leave of the House to withdraw his motion and that he had the leave was beyond all doubt. There was no voting upon a substantial motion which would have justified the demand for a poll.

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